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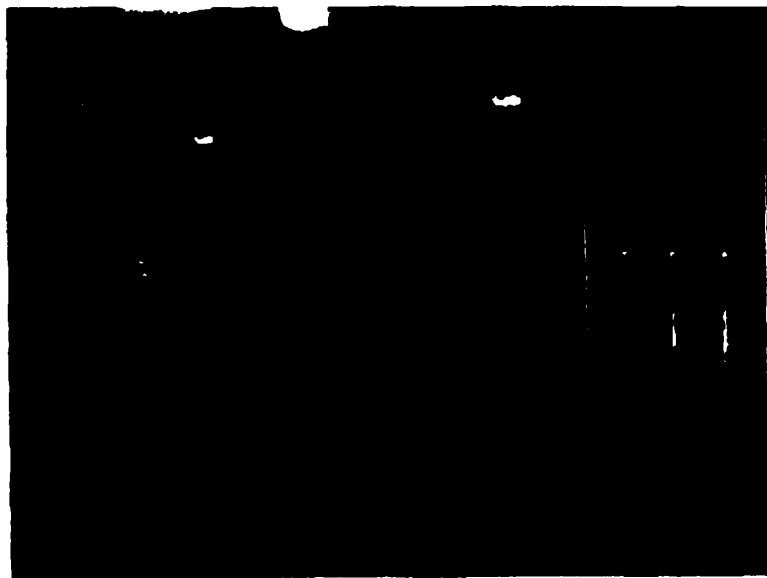
Dear Counselor,

I have been following the Congressional race in Southwest Missouri's Seventh Congressional District for a number of months. I have grown concerned that Republican Billy Long is clearly using his corporation, Billy Long Auctions, to give him an unfair advantage in the Congressional race for Southwest Missouri going as far as possibly violating the Tillman Act for direct corporate in kind donations.

Through postings Mr. Long has placed on the Internet combined with obvious conflicts posted on his Web sites, it's seems clear to me there is enough information to warrant an investigation into the Long campaign.

I have documented many of these possible violations on my blog, <http://longiswrong.com>, and I will provide a brief summary of my findings for your investigation.

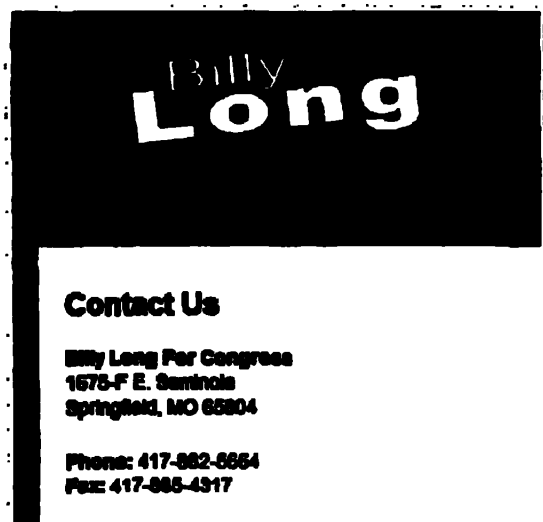
Long uses his Billy Long Auction offices as his campaign offices.



If you look at his the Billy Long Auction Web site and the Billy Long campaign Web site, you notice not only are the addresses the same, but they share the same phone numbers. This means the receptionist

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at Billy Long Auctions is also answering the phone for the campaign business. I have verified this with a phone call, and received instructions from the auction business how to make a donation to the campaign, including dropping it off at the auction business offices. It seems to me, employees paid by Billy Long Auctions are conducting campaign business. Long also uses the Billy Long Auction phone number on printed campaign materials as well. Enclosed is copy of a mailing he sent in March asking voters to call him at his corporate offices.



I became aware of the possible ethics problems after watching a number of tweets on Billy Long's auction page that points out his auction staff is working on his campaign.



Wrapping big project for Congressional race- my staff does auction/real estate bus, plus Congressional race and they do a GREAT job THANKS!

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It also appears he is using his auctions to deliver campaign speeches. I have heard auctions attendees have complained about the political nature of his auctions. Which opens up questions of company vehicles used, business expenses, campaign expenses, etc.



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Congressman Mel Hancock -Donate
Today!
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Huge crowd today @ Limo builders business liquidation auction -
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The more I look at the Long campaign, the more it seems he is using his own corporation to provide in
kind campaign donations to pad his campaign funds.

I am requesting an investigation into this matter. I swear, under penalty of perjury, the facts and details
presented in this letter are true to the best of my knowledge.

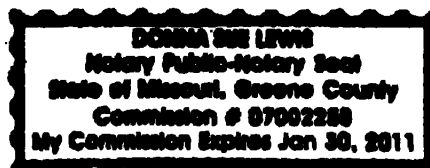
Sincerely,

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on the 30th day of March 2010

Clayton Bowler signed in Greene Co.

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March 3, 2010

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